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PATENT APPLICATION



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Application No.: 10/820,112)	Group Art Unit: 3721
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For: TONER CONTAINER)	
MANUFACTURING METHOD AND)	September 30, 2005
TONER CONTAINER)	

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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(d)

Sir:

In an Official Action dated June 27, 2005, the Examiner states that a copy of each of the cited foreign patent documents. The Examiner states that for example, the Japanese Patent Document No. 2,803,903, identified in an Information Disclosure Statement (the "IDS") filed October 1, 2004, was not considered because a copy was not provided.

It is earnestly believed that a copy of each of the Japanese patent documents cited in the IDS was provided by Applicants as evidenced by the attached postcard receipt identifying seven (7) references, which corresponds to the number of Japanese patent documents cited in that IDS. There is the possibility that the copies of the documents were misplaced in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

Nevertheless, in compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed citation Form PTO-1449. A copy of

each of the cited Japanese patent documents and available English-language Abstracts are enclosed.

REMARKS

As noted in the Information Disclosure Statement filed October 1, 2004, Japanese Patent Document Nos. 1-140554, 4-475, 9-222839, 2643407, 2643449, 2718060, and 2803903 are discussed at least at page 4, line 27 through page 5, line 13 of the specification. U.S. Patent No. 4,957,584 is identified as being in the patent family of Japanese Patent Document No. 2803903.

FEE

It is believed that no fee is due for consideration with this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement even if the cited document was inadvertently omitted from the Information Disclosure Statement filed October 1, 2004. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(f).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in or credit any overpayment of this fee to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed.

CONCLUSION

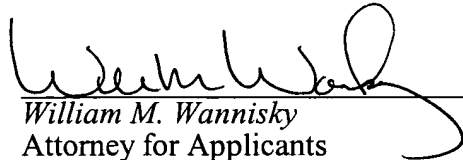
It is respectfully requested that the cited patent documents be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed citation Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such patent document has been considered when the Examiner next acts on the application.

It is earnestly believed that all requirements for consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement have been satisfied.

Favorable consideration hereof is earnestly solicited.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our New York office at the address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

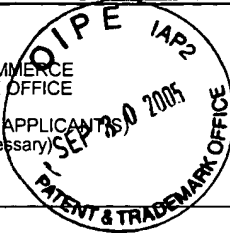


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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS							
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1-140554	09/26/89	Japan			No		
4-475	01/06/92	Japan			Abstract		
2643407	05/02/97	Japan			Abstract		
2643449	05/02/97	Japan			Abstract		
9-222839	08/26/97	Japan			Abstract		
2718060	11/14/97	Japan			Abstract		
2803903	07/17/98	Japan			Abstract		

OTHER DOCUMENT(S) (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)	

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